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Sir:

Applicant respectfully inquires as to the status of the above-identified application. A Request for Certificate of Correction was filed December 29, 2010, and applicant's attorney has not received any communication from the Patent Office since that filing date.

Respectfully submitted,

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